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DIARY NOTES

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1. I talked with [REDACTED] about the consultant contracts for [REDACTED] and Mr. McCone and agreed that they should be paid on a seven-day per week basis.

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2. I confirmed with Ed Saunders that the Bureau of the Budget had released [REDACTED]. There are no more requests pending at the Bureau. I have asked Ed to get in touch with [REDACTED] and assist him and others in the preparation of requests which they want to submit.

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3. I have had several conversations with Jim Garrison about [REDACTED]. Suffice it to say that at this point in time it does appear that we can [REDACTED] out of the building by 15 November. By negotiating a cost-plus-fixed-fee contract, we can cut down the time of completion by a couple of months. All the preparations have been cleared to do this, except with the Bureau of the Budget which I want to do at my earliest convenience.

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4. I had a long talk with Larry Houston and Emmett Echols concerning their two offices and the lack of co-operation between them. Growing out of this conversation was an agreement that the General Counsel would assign one lawyer to the Office of Personnel, or at least the Director of Personnel would have full claim to the time of one lawyer in the Office of the General Counsel. We also discussed the [REDACTED] procedures and the next day we discussed them again with General Cabell. Growing out of all these discussions was a decision that we would amend our Regulation to clarify the original intent that Review Panels would not be required to review the entire lists, but only those which had been identified as including twice the number of names anticipated to be separated.

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